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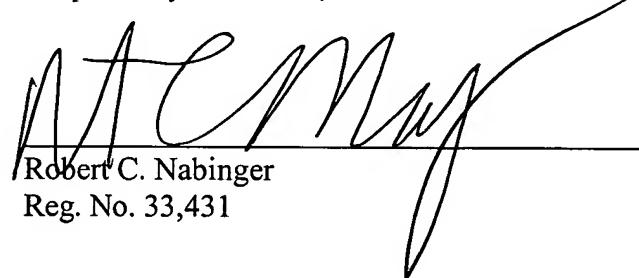
PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Applicant has filed this divisional application to pursue claims directed to a blade unit including a plurality of blades. The 35 U.S.C. § 102 rejection in view of Ortiz et al., U.S. Pat. 5,689,883 and Yin et al., U.S. Pat. 5,711,076 in the parent application (U.S.S.N. 09/852,904) do not apply to these claims.

Applicant asks that all claims be examined in view of the amendment to the claims.

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Respectfully submitted,



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